IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: MONK et al. : Confirmation No.: 2818

Application No.: 10/617,329 : Group Art Unit: 3746

Filed: July 10, 2003 : Examiner: Belt, Samuel E.

For: RECIPROCATING COMPRESSOR WITH A LINEAR MOTOR

RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116

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Sir:

Please consider the following Response for the above-referenced Application.

A.) INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This Response is filed in response to the Final Office Action dated November 30, 2006.

The Amendments to the Claims section begins on page 2 of this Response and any amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of the claims included therein.

The Remarks/Arguments section begins on page 6 of this Response.